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The Eighty-fifth Annual Meeting of the American Peace Society.

The eighty-fifth annual meeting of the American Peace Society was held in the Odeon, at St. Louis, on Saturday afternoon, May 3, at 4 o'clock. More than one hundred members of the society were present.

Senator Theodore E. Burton, president of the society, was in the chair.

The absence from the meeting of Secretary of State Bryan, who had been engaged to give the annual address, was greatly regretted by the members. He had telegraphed from California that it would be impossible for him to leave Sacramento City in time to reach St. Louis on Saturday. In his absence President S. C. Mitchell, of the University of South Carolina, had been asked to address the meeting.

Dr. Mitchell laid emphasis on the fact that the cause of international peace concerns the people of the earth rather than the cabinets of the nations, and that it is working out for mankind a new patriotism which will remake our civic patriotism from the standpoint of all humanity. He urged the members of the society to go home with the confidence that some of the things which had been discussed in the Peace Congress would become realities. A world interest was entering into the policies of the nations, and women, with their dynamic energy, were helping to hasten the success of the cause.

Senator Burton, having to leave the meeting, had asked Mr. Leroy A. Goddard, president of the Chicago Peace Society, to act as chairman for the rest of the time.

The business of the annual meeting was then taken up. The reading of the minutes of the last annual meeting was omitted. Dr. William I. Hull, secretary of the Pennsylvania Peace Society, was chosen clerk for the occasion.

The treasurer's annual statement, with the auditor's report, was presented, accepted, and ordered placed on file. The report showed that the receipts for the year, exclusive of legacies, had amounted to \$42,605.21 and the expenses to \$42,420.13, the receipts thus exceeding the expenses by \$185.08. It showed further that legacies to the amount of \$4,095.50 had been received during the year, \$3,062.25 of which had been placed in the reserve fund and \$1,033.25 in the current expense account.

The annual report of the board of directors was presented by Secretary Trueblood. It included the reports of the secretary and the executive director to the board of directors. The report was accepted, approved, and ordered to be published in the *ADVOCATE OF PEACE*. (The report appeared in full in the May number.)

The report of the nominating committee was then presented. Further nominations being in order, Dr.

Jenkin Lloyd Jones, of Chicago; Mrs. Philip N. Moore, of St. Louis; Hiram Hadley, of Mesilla Park, New Mexico; President Edmund Stanley, of Wichita, Kansas, and Mrs. Frederick Schoff, of Philadelphia, were placed on the list of nominees for honorary vice-presidents. On motion of Charles E. Beals, of Chicago, the name of Dr. Lyman Abbott was removed from the list of nominees for honorary vice-presidents. The clerk was then instructed by vote to cast one ballot for all the nominees. The ballot was cast, and the nominees were declared elected. (The list is given in full on page 142.)

An invitation was extended by the Chicago Peace Society, through its secretary, Charles E. Beals, to hold the annual meeting in 1914 in Chicago. An invitation was also extended by William O. Hart, Esq., on behalf of the mayor and city council of New Orleans, to hold the annual meeting in 1914 in New Orleans. It was voted that the determination of the place of holding the next annual meeting be referred to the executive committee.

A vote of thanks was extended to the city of St. Louis, and especially to the Business Men's League, for the hospitality extended to the members during the Peace Congress. A vote of thanks was also extended to the officers of the society for their faithful services during the past year.

The meeting adjourned at 6 o'clock.

The Mohonk Arbitration Conference.

The Nineteenth Conference on International Arbitration, which met at Mohonk Lake, New York, from May 14 to 16, did not differ in any essential respect from its predecessors, except in the absence of him who founded the conferences and had been the soul and directing spirit of them for the eighteen years of their existence. It was difficult for those who had participated in the meetings from the beginning to realize that the founder was gone. In every room and hall of the great Mountain House, and upon all the walks and drives about the superb estate, the memory of his presence was deeply felt, and one realized, as never before, the genius, the intellectual and moral strength, the high idealism, and the rare devotion to human good of the man who had conceived and created Mohonk, and the Indian and arbitration conferences which have given it its unique fame.

But Albert K. Smiley's death made no break in the work of the conference. He had arranged that it should not. Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Smiley, who have for years managed the estate with admirable skill, and to whom its possession has fallen, took up the work with rare devotion and courage, just as everybody had expected